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Sir:

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the attached annex to the International Preliminary Examination Report for page 8 of the published PCT Application WO 00/54578.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: